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Parish Staff Team (756-3145)	Mass Intentions						
Pastor :		4:00 pm	Ralph Hotaling	Bob & Mary Ann			
Rev. Fr. James J. Kane frjim@tcosp.org Ext. 301 Associate for Administration and	Sat. Dec. 8	8:00 am	For all Parishioners, espe- cially for our Pastoral	Pastor			
Pastoral Care: Mrs. Lori Nunziato lori@tcosp.org Ext. 302	Sun. Dec. 9 Second Sunday		Council & Trustees	look 9 Dito			
Pastoral Associate/D.R.E. for Faith Formation:	Of Advent	10:00 am	M. Edwin Pesnel	Jack & Rita Ablett			
Br. Ron Davis, FSD Ext. 304 broron@tcosp.org Pastoral Associate for Music:	Mon Dec 10		No Mass here 8 A.M. at St. Mary's,				
Mr. John Schmitt john@tcosp.org Ext. 303 Volunteer Office Assistants: Ext. 300 Mrs. Donna Hagen [Bulletin Ed.] Mrs. Tina Irwin Mrs. Michelle Fralick [Prayer Chain Coordinator] church@tcosp.org Volunteer Sacristan: Mrs. Joan A. Lipscomb Ext. 300 Facilities Maintenance: Mr. Al Visconti Ext. 308	Tues Dec 11	9:00 am	Robert Callery	Donna Hagen			
	Wed Dec 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe		No Mass here 8 AM at St. Mary's, Coxsackie				
	Thur Dec 13, St. Lucy	9:00 am	Fr. Thomas Walsh, Pastor 1893-1916	Parish			
	Fri. Dec 14 St. John of the Cross	9:00 am	Lee Miller	Russ Miller			
	Sat. Dec 15	9:00 am	Carmen Libertucci	Warren & Rick			
St. Patrick's Cemetery Cemetery Manager: Mrs. Lori Nunziato Sexton: Mr. Charles Burns Groundskeeper: Mr. Angel Perez Any questions regarding cemetery plots and/or mausoleum space please call 756-3145. New Families WELCOME! We would like to include	Sat. Dec 15 (Vigil) Sun Dec 16 Third Sunday	4:00 pm	Joanna Maki	Jim, Amy, Jimmy, Ashley & Aubrey			
		8:00 am	For all Parishioners, espe- cially our parish pastoral staff this holiday season	Pastor			
you in our Parish Family. Please call the rectory or stop by to register.				Family			
Handicapped Accessible Personal amplifying units available for the hearing impaired Restrooms in the Parish Center	In Advent	10:00 am	Krista Visconti				

Ministry Schedules: December 15/16 Group B

Lectors, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, Counters and Camera Attention: Those serving this weekend, PLEASE come into the Sacristy before Mass to sign in.

Stewardship A Way of Life	Number	Aver- age	\$ A	mount		2011
Envelopes & Checks	165	\$26.21	\$4	,464.00	\$4	,434.00
Loose cash			\$	625.00	\$	372.00
Totals: 12/1-2			\$5	,089.00	\$4	,806.00
Budget			\$3	,815.00		
Stewardship			\$	46.15		
2nd Collection	Fuel & Heat		\$2	2,329.00		

Reflection

"Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the Psalmist, "The Lord had done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"

Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to respond to God's grace through service to our parish and the wider community, especially our Food Pantry and Thrift Shop

Attendance for the weekend of Dec 1-2 was 403 (total number of registered families= 829.)

"CALLED BY NAME" priest response cards can be put into any collection this week: deadline = Monday, Dec. 10th. The "Christmas Flowers" envelope, to help defray expenses for Christmas decorations, can be put into any collection basket this month.

THE PANTRY

The III Sunday of each month is Food Pantry weekend: 12/15-16 Please place food in box in vestibule. Month of November:

families 76 # children(0-17) 92 # adults (18-64) 157 # seniors 10

Thank you: - Sabic \$500 donation

- Crop Walk \$600 donation

-To those who have already returned their food items.

There are still food tags to be taken to help fill the baskets for Christmas

Pantry Hours:

Tuesday & Friday 10-11am

Wednesday 6-7pm

Your generous food and monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

~Diane Hoffman, Coordinator

THRIFT SHOP

Dec. 20-Jeanne Randio - Emily Powell

Dec. 21- Mary Tiberia - Carole Brooks

Dec. 22- Fran Mulligan - Blondie Neri

Thrift Shop Hours:

Thursday 1:00 - 3:00 Friday 1:00 - 3:00

Saturday 1:00 - 3:00

Month of November \$490.20 CLOSED Dec. 23 thru Jan. 9th

Volunteers needed: call Jeanne 756-9580

-Jeanne Randio, Coordinator

Church Linens - December - Carole Brooks
Anyone willing to do church linens call the Rectory at 756-3145.

Quote of the Week:

"When, for love of God, we share our goods with our neighbor in need, we discover that the fullness of life comes from love & all is returned to us as a blessing in the form of peace, inner satisfaction & joy."

-Pope Benedict XVI

"Prayer of the Week:

"Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

-Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers

Question of the Week:

"What 'construction project' do I need to undertake before Christmas (and Christ's 2nd coming)? Specifically, which of my winding ways needs to be straightened, which rough edges made smooth, which prideful mountain leveled, which neglected valley filled?"

"Pastoral Patterns (Winter '12-13)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Thank you to Sharon at BABCOCK FUNERAL HOME for underwriting our 2013 parish calendars, which are available at the church entrances this weekend.

I will offer a presentation on Mary Magdalene, at the Women's Bible Study (all welcome - men too) on Tuesday, December 11th at 11 am (note time change) in Room 5

Fr. Jim Kane

Faith Formation Ministry

My Dear Parishioners,

The peace and love of the Lord Jesus be with each of you! Congratulations to our ninth grade faith formation students and their catechists, Carol Hamilton and Tina Hotaling, for their participation in last Sunday's 10 am liturgy in various capacities. In addition, for their bake sale to raise the funds necessary to purchase bibles for our confirmation candidates, which will be given to them when they make their Confirmation this spring. How wonderful it is to see our teenagers active and involved in the life of the Church. They raised \$93 toward their goal.

The Christmas Pageant is a wonderful opportunity for all our children to be involved in the Christmas story. However, students will NOT be leaving faith formation classes early to participate in the practices. Practices will begin following regular faith formation instruction.

Confirmation students are reminded that if your contracts have not been handed in they must be immediately, in order for your continuance in the program. You should, also, be able to tell us your confirmation name and your sponsor's name. This weekend's class is on choosing a name through the study of some of the saints.

A reminder, that our students are collecting articles for the Salvation Army stocking project. Each class has been given their stockings and has decided what age group they are collecting for. They have a list of what they can collect. The initial deadline is the 10th of December but we are hoping to have at least until the 17th. Danielle Parks is our coordinator and we are grateful for her hard work. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord Jesus.

Our pastor, Fr. Jim Kane, outlined very nicely for us in his homily last week, what our preparation concerns. First, the commemoration of the Birth of the Lord Jesus in Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. Secondly, the coming of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. He reminded us that it is the Eucharist which is central to this event. Thirdly, the fact that the Lord will come again in glory. We should be prepared for that coming and anticipate it with great joy!

It is my prayer for you that you take quiet time during the hustle and bustle of the season to make room for that tiny infant who desperately wants a shelter in our hearts.

In Christ and Francis,

~Brother Ronald Francis Davis, FSD

Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation/DRE

Church Calendar

Dec. 11 - Women's Bible Study, 11 am, Room 5 (Fr. Jim will present on Mary Magdalene)

Dec. 17 - K of C luncheon, noon, Room 4

Dec. 17 - Rosary led by K of C, 6:20pm, church

Dec. 18- Advent Communal Penance Service 7PM

Faith Formation Calendar

Dec. 9 - Classes for K - 10

Dec. 16 - Classes for K-9

Dec. 23 - Classes for K-9 - Christmas Party

Dec. 30 - NO CLASSES

Jan. 6 - Classes for K-9



\$25.00 would purchase a CHRISTMAS BASKET

For a Food Pantry Client

Make checks payable to "The Pantry" St. Patrick's Church

Thank you for those of you who have already taken the FOOD DONATION tags. They are available in church or the parish office. Please return the food donations by December 16th. They may be placed in the Food Pantry box in the vestibule. Please attach the tag to your donation. Because of the urgency of food needs, the Food Pantry committee suggested that these food donations replace the "Giving Tree" gifts we've done in the recent past..

LAST CALL: OLD HYMNALS

If you had purchased a placard to place in the front of the maroon Hymnals in memory of a loved one and wish to keep it for your own we are placing them in the parish center, covers open, so you can find yours and take it. If there are any left over they may be sold. Thank you,

~John Schmitt Director of Music Ministry; Pastoral Associate for Music

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS

A Musical Celebration of the Season by Chuck & Friends 7:00 PM Sunday, December 9th

Trinity United Methodist Church, Rte 143, Coeymans Hollow
A free will offering will be taken - proceeds will go to Hurricane Sandy victims

Community Maternity Services, an agency of Catholic Charities is holding its next fundraiser at Capital Repertory Theatre on Friday, December 21. Please join us for a benefit performance of "This Wonderful Life". Tickets are \$45.00 for adults, \$25.00 for students and \$15.00 for children 15 and younger. The show begins at 8:00 pm with a preperformance reception at 6:45 pm. For reservations call Anne Marie Couser at 482-8836 or e-mail Annemarie@cccms.org

Let Us Pray

For The Dead.

Our deceased loved ones. parishioners and benefactors:

Albert S. LoBuglio

Sanctuary Lamp - December In Loving Memory of D'Ambrosio & Barker Families

Joe & MaryBeth D'Ambrosio

In loving Memory of

Frank & Helen Nunziato

Love, The Family In loving Memory of

Frank Varcasia

Love. Anna & Mary Lou Altar Bread - December In Loving Memory of Justin John Bonafide

> Love, **Grammy & Poppy**

In loving Memory of

Geraldine Bruno

Love, Jimmy & daughters

In loving Memory of Thelma & James Winters Anna & Ralph Bruno

> Love, Carol & John

Altar Candles - December In Loving Memory Christopher J. Biscone

> Love, **Angie**



Memorial [as in above]

Memorials are available for your loved ones. Call and sign up as soon as possible to insure that you can get your choice.

Sanctuary Lamp - 2 weeks - \$15.00 Altar Candles - 1 month - \$15.00 Altar Bread - 1 month - \$50.00 Memorial Block - 1 month - \$35.00

Sacraments

Baptism: Please contact the Office to make arrangements. Baptisms take place on a seasonal basis.

January 13, 2013 10:00 am Mass

Marriage: Please contact the Office at least six Months before the proposed date of the wedding.

Homebound: 10:00 Mass can be seen on Ch.11 T.V. at 10 A.M. each Sunday.